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Title: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GENERATING WATER SPRAYS, AND METHODS OF CLEANING USING WATER SPRAYS"

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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REMARKS

The claims in the application remain as claims 1-18. No new claim fee is required. Claims 13-17 are withdrawn from further consideration under 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being directed to a nonelected invention.

THE REJECTION UNDER 35 USC 103

Claims 1-12 and 18 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Utter et al. (6,126,961).